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			REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)		
Sir:	•				
		(s) re 1.114	equests continued examination of the above-identified application under		
$\boxtimes$	Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):				
		Previously submitted:			
			Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.		
			Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on		
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			Other:		
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			An Information Disclosure Statement		
		$\boxtimes$	An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings		
			New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability		
			Other:		

	Requ	Request for suspension of action:			
	unde	Applicant(s) hereby requests suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i)).			
	Sma	ll Entity Status:			
		Applicant(s) hereby asserts entitleme §§ 1.9 and 1.27.	nt to claim small entity status under 37 CFR		
		A small entity statement or assertion filed in prior application no/	of entitlement to claim small entity status was and such status is still proper and desired.		
		Is no longer desired.			
	Appl	Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:			
	$\boxtimes$	A request fee of \$810 under 37 CFR §	1.17(e).		
		A suspension processing fee of \$	_ under 37 CFR §1.17(i).		
		An additional filing fee of \$ under claims and/or additional total claims	er 37 CFR §1.16 ( additional independent aims).		
	$\boxtimes$	An extension fee of \$130 under 37 CF	R §1.17(a) for a 1-month extension of time.		
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		Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$940 (\$810-Request for Continued Examination and \$130-one month extension of time).			
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		The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE).			
			Respectfully submitted,		
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